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Proposed name Polar Bear Peak
State Alaska - 3rd Judicial District

PROPOSAL OF NAME FOR AN UNNAMED DOMESTIC FEATURE

Location Latitude 61° 10' N

 Longitude 149° 16' W

Section 3 Twp. 12 N Rg. 1 E Seward Principal Meridian
 4, 33, 34

Description and Extent of the Feature: mountain peak, 6955 feet elevation, the 2nd
highest point in all the Western Chugach Range south of Eagle River.

Basis of Knowledge that the Feature is Unnamed: Anchorage A-7 quad (1960);
Hoeman's Abstract of Named Alaskan Summits (unpublished 1963); and knowledge of local
names in use in this area (see below).

Reason for Choice of Name: LOCAL NAME used by Eagle River residents and homesteaders
for at least two years, probably much longer, from the polar-bear-skin shaped snowpatch
high on its northern face (toward Eagle River) in summer. Thus DESCRIPTIVE. As yet
the only climbing mountaineers have directed toward it have been with their eyes from a
distance and eager fingers on a map. Mentioned by name in Scree, 1963, vol VI, no. 2,
p. 1; and perhaps elsewhere.

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